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SUBJECT:GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT

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1. DR. KISSINGER'S REMARKS HAVE IN NO WAY COMMITTED US TO MOVING SITUS OF GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT DISCUSSIONS. THEY MERELY STATED THAT WE "WILL NEGOTIATE SPECIAL CONSIDERATION FOR THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES." THE DEL WILL RECOGNIZE THAT THE PRECEDING REFERENCE TO THE TOKYO DECLARATION IS TO STATE THE PRINCIPLE UPON WHICH THE SUBSTANTIVE POSITION IS TAKEN.

2. THE U.S. POSITION HAS NEVER BEEN TO OPPOSE DISCUSSION OF GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT IN GENEVA. WE WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN THIS POSITION. DELEGATION SHOULD NOT VOLUNTEER
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BUT, IF QUERIED BY LDC'S YOU MAY RESPOND THAT WE ARE

READY TO DISCUSS MATTER IN GENEVA AT ANY TIME A CONSENSUS
EXISTS TO BEGIN SUCH DISCUSSIONS.

3. INSTRUCTIONS TO DEL FOR SEPT 15 OECD TCWP ON GOVERN-
MENT PROCUREMENT HAVE BEEN FINALIZED (SEE SEPTTEL) AND
REFLECT THE ABOVE POSITION. KISSINGER UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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